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SUBJECT: U.S.-POLISH COOPERATION IN COAL RESEARCH

REF: KSANDER/KOTB TELECONS OF DECEMBER 20, 1976

- 1. WE UNDERSTAND FROM KOTB THAT ERDA ACCEPTS OUR RECOMMENDATION TO DELIVER TO US, FOR FORWARDING TO THE MINISTRY OF MINING, ALL OF THE COOPERATIVE PROPOSALS WITH APPROPRIATE ERDA SIGNATURES BY THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE PAN AM FLIGHT TO WARSAW.
- 2. WE ALSO UNDERSTAND FROM KOTB THAT THE RETURNED, SIGNED PROPOSALS ARE NOT A SUFFICIENT BASIS FOR ERDA TO OBLIGATE ITS SFCP FUNDS. IN ADDITION TO THESE, ERDA REQUIRES THAT THE LETTER OF INTENT FORWARDED TO US BE SIGNED BY THE MINISTRY OF MINING AND RETURNED TO ERDA.
- 3. WE HAVE PRESENTED THE ABOVE SOLUTION TO THE POLISH SIDE AND HAVE THEIR CONCURRENCE, PROVIDED THE LANGUAGE OF THE LETTER OF INTENT IS REVISED AS FOLLOWS:

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IT IS ANTICIPATED

THAT" AND DELETE THE ENTIRE SECOND SENTENCE; THE PARAGRAPH TO READ: "THIS LETTER OF INTENT WILL BE SUPERCEDED BY A DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 28, 1977." PAGE 2, PARAGRAPH 2(C)-DELETE "THE DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT SHALL ALSO RECOGNIZE THE PRINCIPLES AND REQUIREMENTS OF UNITED STATES PUBLIC LAW 93-438 OF THE ENERGY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1974) AND U.S. PUBLIC LAW 83-480 (THE AGRICULTURAL TRADE DEVELOPMENT AND ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1954), AS AMENDED." THE POLISH OBJECTION TO THIS LANGUAGE IS THAT THERE IS NOT SUFFICIENT TIME TO PERUSE THE ABOVE LAWS AND AMENDMENTS. IF YOU PROPOSE TO KEEP THIS LANGUAGE, WE RECOMMEND THAT YOU DISCUSS THIS MATTER WITH POLISH EMBASSY ATTACHE ZAJAC AND MAKE COPIES OF THESE LAWS AVAILABLE TO HIM FOR TRANSMITTAL TO THE MINISTRY.

PAGE 3, PARAGRAPH 4-DELETE THE ENTIRE PARAGRAPH. THE POLISH OBJECTION TO THIS PARAGRAPH IS A LEGAL ONE; A REFERENCE IS MADE TO FEDERAL LAWS WHICH ARE NEITHER SPELLED OUT NOR KNOWN TO THE POLISH SIDE AND, THEREFORE, CANNOT BE ACCEPTED UNILATERALLY.

PAGE 3, PARAGRAPH 5-DELETE THE SENTENCE. THE POLISH OBJECTION TO THE DECEMBER 23, 1976, DEADLINE IS THAT IT IS UNILATERAL AND IMPOSSIBLE TO ACHIEVE IN PRACTICE; WE RECOMMEND DELETION OF THE DEADLINE AS DISCUSSED WITH KOTB; A REASONABLE EXTENSION MAY BE ACCEPTABLE TO THE POLES.

PAGE 2, APPENDIX "A", PARAGRAPH 1(2)-CHANGE "\$25,896,000 ZLOTYS" TO "25,896,000 ZLOTYS." UNCLASSIFIED

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4. IF THESE CHANGES IN THE TEXT OF THE
LETTER OF INTENT ARE ACCEPTABLE, PLEASE CABLE YOUR
AUTHORIZATION TO WRITE THEM INTO THE LETTER.
AS DISCUSSED WITH KOTB WE WILL CABLE ERDA WHEN THE
PROPOSALS ARE RECEIVED AND THE LETTER OF INTENT SIGNED.
PLEASE CONFIRM THAT SUCH CABLE IS A SUFFICIENT BASIS
FOR ERDA TO OBLIGATE THE PROJECT FUNDS.
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